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## **APPLICATION**

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation P.O., Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

RE:

BIG 3-2 RB SUR; SL 540 B No. 39 Well (207666)

West White Lake Field Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

## Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA** ("Unocal") for the calling of a public hearing, after thirty (30) days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters in the **Big** (3)-2 **Zone**, **Reservoir B**, specifically proposed to be so designated to produce from the BIG 3-2 RB SUR in the Unocal State Lease 540 B No. 39 Well, West White Lake Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, to-wit:

- 1. To redesignate the Big(3)-2 Sand, Reservoir B, as adopted by Office of Conservation Order No. 75-B-2, effective March 4, 1986, as the Big (3)-2 Sand Zone, Reservoir B, and redefine the Big (3)-2 Zone, Reservoir B as more particularly defined herein, specifically for purposes of producing from the BIG 3-2 RB SUR in the Unocal State Lease 540 B No. 39 Well;
- 2. To confirm and continue in full force and effect the BIG 3-2 RB SUR, created by Office of Conservation Order No. 75-B-2 for the Big (3)-2 Sand, as a single drilling and production unit for the BIG 3-2 ZONE, RESERVOIR B, as redefined herein;

- 3. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the Big (3)-2 Zone, Reservoir B, by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation; and,
- 4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The State Lease 540 B No. 39 Well was recently the subject of a hearing before the Commissioner in Docket No. 03-42, to consider said well for designation as the unit well for the Big 3-2 RB SUR, and to produce said unit from said well at an exception location. The approval of same is pending, contingent on an order issuing in this matter approving the proposed relief requested herein.

The Big (3)-2 Zone, Reservoir B, in the West White Lake Field, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the depths of 7,002 feet and 7,053 feet, true vertical depth, in Unocal - State Lease 540 B No. 39, located in Section 27, Township 14 South, Range 2 West, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana. (The Big (3)-2 Sand, Reservoir B, was originally defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 75-B-2, effective March 4, 1986, as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 7,024 feet and 7,054 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Terra Resources, Inc. State Lease 11424 No. 5 Well, located in Section 27, Township 14 South, Range 2 West, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.)

A conference to discuss the proposed application and any opposition thereto was scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on the 6th day of March, 2003, at the Onebane Law Firm, 102 Versailles Blvd., Suite 600, Lafayette, Louisiana 70501 (337-2373-2660). As no conference was requested by any interested party, the conference was not held.

Pertinent data relating to the proposed application can be obtained, <u>AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY</u>, by contacting Holmes Smart with Frank Harrison and Associates, 200 Audubon Blvd., Lafayette, Louisiana 70503 (Phone: 337-232-4031).

There is attached hereto and made a part hereof a plat outlining the unit that is the subject of this proposal and a list of the names and addresses of the interested parties to whom this unitization proposal is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy of it. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed herein is our check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation in payment of the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

BRENT G. SONNIER

BGS Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, District Manager

Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties

